

## **Megan Roodenrys**

*Born Canberra 1968, currently resides in Adelaide, South Australia*



Megan is a third generation visual artist and received a Bachelor of Visual arts from the University of South Australia in 1996. Her Grandmother, Lorraine Holmes, was awarded an OAM for her contribution to art. Megan spent her formative years walking around the National Gallery in Canberra in the Australian Capital Territory with her Grandmother, which fuelled Megan's desire to build a career as a successful visual artist in her own right.

Megan is self-represented, making and selling her work from her own studio – Richmond Road Studios, in Adelaide, South Australia. Megan also owns a fine art supply store – “Duthy Street Art Supplies” where she often paints and works whilst discussing materials and techniques with her clientele.

Megan was previously represented by the now retired Susan Sideris at the Hanrahan Studios in Adelaide.

Megan is passionate about drawing, especially the expressive quality of the markings that result, communicating three dimensional form on a two dimensional medium. Megan's core practice is directed towards exhibitions and private commissions, however when her schedule allows, she works within communities on projects such as art gardens and murals.

Megan has been involved in her own business ventures, including the establishment of of three café/restaurants in Adelaide where her role is the interior design, aesthetic and installation at each venue. Megan is insistent that each venue exhibited the art of local artists and provided a venue for art exhibition launches.

Megan resides at her home in Richmond Road, Adelaide with her partner, Michelle and three teenage children.

## **Recent Achievements**

2017 Royal Arts Society of South Australia – Finalist in their annual art show  
2014 Portia Geach Memorial Portrait Prize Finalist "A Private Place in a Public Life" -  
Portrait of Senator Penny Wong  
2009 Archibald Prize Finalist with "Waiting for the Day" - Portrait of Ben Cousins  
2009 Black Swan Portrait Prize Finalist with "Aaron at Leighton" - Portrait of Aaron  
Sandilands  
2008 Awarded the Dame Joan Sutherland grant to exhibit in New York City

## **Collections**

Adelaide Airport "Ten Years On" Portrait of London bombing survivor, Gill Hicks  
Australian Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates - Mr Jeremy Bruer  
(Former Senator) Natasha Stott-Despoja  
Mr Rob Gerard, Gerard Industries

## **Recent exhibitions**

SALA "I.D. Portraiture Group Exhibition, Adelaide Airport - August 2015  
SALA "Moments" Group Exhibition, Centennial Park - August 2015  
Barbara Hanrahan Studios, Adelaide , Group Exhibition - December 2014  
BMG Gallery, Adelaide - July 2013  
Kensington Gallery, Adelaide - September 2011  
Pivotal Gallery, Melbourne - July 2010  
Kensington Gallery, Adelaide - April (Group) 2010  
Kensington Gallery Adelaide - Solo Exhibition December 2009  
Pivotal Galleries Melbourne - Group Show December 2009  
Pivotal Galleries Melbourne - Group Shows December 2008 and July 2009  
Kensington Gallery Adelaide - Group shows November 2008 and February 2009

## **Prior exhibitions**

2009 Adelaide Crows Football Club – Tyson Edwards 300 Game Commemorative  
Portrait  
2009 Fremantle Football Club – Portraits of Matthew Pavlich and Aaron Sandilands  
2008 Portrait of Senator Natasha Stott-Despoja and her son,  
Conrad 'Natasha and Conrad'  
2008 Sturt Football Club - Brant Chambers 'Locker Number 7'  
2008 Adelaide Crows Football Club - Andrew MacLeod 300  
Game Commemorative Portrait 'Saltwater Man'  
2008 Ghaf Gallery, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (joint exhibition with Jessica  
Murray)  
2006 Kensington Gallery, Adelaide, Solo exhibition  
2006 Pivotal Galleries, Melbourne, VIC, Solo exhibition  
2005 "Recent Paintings"– Kensington Gallery, Adelaide SA (with Bronwen Roodenrys)  
2005 "Works on paper" - Redpoles Gallery, McLaren Vale, Group exhibition  
2005 "Lovely Ladies" - Naracoorte Art Gallery, Naracoorte SA (with Bronwen  
Roodenrys)  
004 "Roseacea" - Kensington Gallery, Adelaide SA – Main exhibitor – SALA (South  
Australian Living Artists) exhibition  
2004 Made For Australia Gallery, Canberra  
2003 Top Room\* - Kensington Gallery, Adelaide

2003 Kensington Gallery, Adelaide SA – SALA exhibition, Group exhibition  
2003 Art Domain, Adelaide SA – Inaugural exhibition, Group exhibition  
2003 “Women Artists” – Kensington Gallery, Adelaide, Group exhibition  
2003 Main Street Gallery, Hahndorf SA  
2002 Top Room\* - Kensington Gallery, Adelaide  
1998 “Afternoon Affair” - Solitaires Supper House, Adelaide  
1998 “Le Dejeuner Sur Lherbe” – Kensington Gallery, Adelaide SA Group exhibition  
1998 1998 East End Artist in Residence Scholarship Exhibition, Adelaide Group exhibition  
1997 EVA Award – Pulteney Grammar, Adelaide SA Group exhibition  
1996 “An Afternoon Set” – Café Piccante, Adelaide Solo exhibition  
1995 “Mystical Voices” – Frames & Finishes, Adelaide Solo exhibition  
1994 “Three Artists, Three Generations, One Family” - Satyre Design, Adelaide, Group exhibition with Bronwen Roodenrys and Lorraine Holmes  
1994 “Springtime in Unley” - Frames & Finishes, Adelaide, Group exhibition  
1993 “Expressions of Ecstasy” - Blue Expressions Gallery, Adelaide, Solo exhibition  
1992 “Adelaide 1992 Stonewall” - Art Zone Gallery, Adelaide, Group exhibition  
  
1991 “A Turbulent Mirror” Graduates Show - University of South Australia, Adelaide SA  
1990 “Country Club” - Loft Galleries - Living Art Centre, Adelaide SA Group exhibition

### **Other Public Acquisitions and Commissions**

2015 Adelaide Airport – Portrait of Gill Hicks  
1998 Adelaide Central Markets-Fish and Fruit Installations  
1998 International Librarians Conference-Librarian Sculpture  
1998 Adelaide City Council-Colonel Light Sculpture  
1998 Adelaide City Marketing-Ocean Display for Rundle Mall  
1998 Adelaide City Marketing-12 Sculpture Billboards  
1998 Mitcham Village Institute Adelaide-Embroidered History  
1994 Taxation Department, Adelaide-4 Works on paper

### **International**

Ghaf Gallery, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

View Megan's portfolio of work at her studio website:

[www.richmondroadstudios.com.au](http://www.richmondroadstudios.com.au)